

BAY AREA TRAVEL CORRIDORS

Although the facilities that make up the Bay Area transportation network are often grouped by type (e.g., local roads, state highways, interstate highways) or mode (train, bus, automobile), MTC finds that the best way to view this network is as a system of multimodal travel corridors. The corridors contain the most-traveled routes along the region's rail, highway and bridge networks. They provide the appropriate regional context for transportation planning, more relevant than political jurisdictions or the ownership or operation of the various infrastructure segments.

MTC has identified 16 such corridors in the Bay Area. This list includes the Bay Area taken as a whole, to highlight the ways MTC and its transportation partners deploy regional solutions to issues that cut across individual corridors. Also, for the first time, an "Interregional Gateways" corridor has been added to the list, a reflection of the increasing number of trips into the Bay Area from adjoining counties.

For each corridor, we provide a description, a summary of specific management objectives, a map, and a list of projects according to their status — Committed, Track 1 and Blueprint (see previous chapter for definitions of these terms). The Track 1 and major Blueprint projects proposed for a given corridor in this RTP are displayed on the corridor map. Project cost and funding information may be found in the relevant county listings in Attachment A.

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